

## The New Election Scheme.

The scheme of holding new elections for Governors and Legislatures in Louisiana and South Carolina appears to have nearly fallen through. The President has no authority to order anything of the kind, and there are very serious obstacles to its being mutually agreed upon by both political parties.

The project for a new election in South Carolina and Louisiana is variously discussed. It does not commend itself to the conservative in the least. Senator Gordon called at the White House to-day and informed President Hayes that it would not do at all, that it would be disastrous to the material interests of the two States, that it would settle nothing, and finally, that he felt satisfied the conservative people of the two States would not consent to it. Senator Robertson, of South Carolina, also called on President Hayes and told him that he had come to enter his protest against any such scheme as a representative of the property-holders and the planters, who know from sad experience what an election meant. He said that neither party desired a new election, but that Patterson represented the conservative, and that Hayes represented the radical. The gentleman who called on him in connection with the subject that he had not committed himself to it, as he was anxious to hear the views of both sides, and if it was mutually agreeable to them, he would be very well satisfied. Judge Mackey, of South Carolina, is very emphatic against a new election. He says Hampton is elected, and must be recognized.

Pineback also had a long interview with President Hayes to-day. Pineback called for the purpose of obtaining personally from the President his views on the condition of affairs in the South and the probable attitude of his administration toward the colored people of the South. The President said to him that if he had been going in the wrong direction he would turn square about and retrace his steps; that the colored people might rest assured that he would use all the power the constitution gave him to protect them in their rights. Pineback said to President Hayes that he expected an office from Nichols and was offered to him. He also assured the President that he could not leave the State without the approval of the people, because the people would not be satisfied or contented under him, because, as they did, that he had no right to the office of Governor.

A leading republican Senator says that in his opinion Kellogg's case will not be considered this session, nor does he believe that when it is considered Kellogg will obtain the seat. It is understood that it is the desire of President Hayes that the Louisiana situation should not be prejudiced by the consideration of Kellogg's case at this time by the Senate. There seems to be a general impression that it will occur.

Crowds of poor women flock the ante chamber of the White House daily, hoping by personal appeal to President Hayes to obtain employment in the public service. Many of them have pushed their way into the rooms where Mrs. Hayes receives, and piteously appealed for personal attention in their behalf. It has become so embarrassing that orders have been issued providing for admission to Mrs. Hayes only by card.

The subject of an extra session was talked over yesterday at the Cabinet meeting. Vice President Wheeler's views against one seemed to meet with general favor. Attorney General Devens produced all the laws and precedents bearing on the matter. The President will promulgate his final decision in the matter by Saturday next. Secretary Sherman expressed his view that an extra session was inevitable.

A well planned and skillfully executed express robbery was perpetrated at Pittsburg, Pa., last night, \$1,000 being abstracted from one of the company's safes.

Senator Hear gave a dinner party at Wormley's yesterday evening in honor of Attorney General Devens.

## COMMERCIAL.

ALEXANDRIA MARKET, March 15, 1877.—There is no change to note since yesterday's report. Wheat continues firm, with light sales at 45¢, 46¢, to quality. Corn is dull and heavy at 20¢ and 51¢, with sales of 1200 bushels mixed, there being no white or yellow offered. 240 bushels of Rye brought 70¢, and 318 bushels of Oats remained over unsold.

BALTIMORE CATTLE MARKET, Mar. 14, 1877. Beef Cattle—Prices to-day ranged as follows: Best Beaves..... 5 25 a 6 00 Generally rated first quality..... 4 50 a 5 00 Medium or good fair quality..... 4 00 a 4 50 Ordinary thin Steers, Oxen and Cows 3 00 a 4 00 General average of the market..... 4 25 a 4 50 Most of the sales were from..... 4 25 a 5 25 The market opened fairly active on Monday morning, and continued so through the day, a short supply being anticipated, and prices were perhaps a little better than on the same day last week. But on Tuesday sales were made very slowly, the run being found to be ample, and prices declined to 4¢ for the day's cattle.

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## LOCAL MATTERS.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—War Department, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, Washington, D. C., March 15, 1877—10:30 a. m.—For the Middle and Eastern States rising barometer, colder diminishing northwest winds, and clear or clearing weather.

PRESENTATION.—The Sir Knights of Old Dominion Commandery, No. 11, of this city, in fatigue uniform, assembled in full force in their Asylum, last night, to receive the delegation from Fredericksburg Commandery, No. 1, of Fredericksburg, Sir Knights Quinn, Moon, and Mezie, who arrived in this city yesterday morning. After the transaction of some routine business, Sir Knight Quinn, on behalf of the delegation, said Fredericksburg Commandery, desiring to express her appreciation of the unbounded hospitality extended by Old Dominion Commandery to that Commandery, during their late pilgrimage to Alexandria, had, at their last meeting, adopted a series of resolutions expressing their pleasure at the courteous and magnificent manner in which they were entertained, and appointed a committee to bear them to the Sir Knights located at Alexandria. After reading the resolutions, he said, but desiring to express their feelings in a manner that would cost them more than mere words, they had provided a gavel, as a testimonial of their high esteem of Old Dominion Commandery, to accompany the resolutions. He then, on behalf of the committee, presented the Commandery with a large sized, magnificent silver bound ivory gavel, encased in a beautiful Morocco case, lined with crimson satin, on which, on a large silver plate, handsomely engraved, is the following inscription: Old Dominion Commandery, No. 11, Alexandria, Virginia.

From Fredericksburg Commandery, No. 1, Fredericksburg, Va. The gavel was received, on behalf of Old Dominion Commandery, by Eminent Commander F. A. Reed, in a neat and appropriate speech. The Sir Knights then repaired to the banquet hall of the Asylum, where a splendid collation was spread, and right knightly did they conduct themselves, after which toasts were drunk, (cold water being the beverage used,) and the evening spent in a most pleasant manner, until about 10:45, when "Auld Lang Syne," led by Sir Knight Hancock, of Washington, who also rendered "The Old Sexton" in a very excellent manner, was sung, and this very happy reunion ended, and "The hall of the banquet was deserted."

DEATH OF A POLICEMAN.—Officer Thomas P. Morris, of the police force, died at his residence, on Lee street, at 3 o'clock this morning, of inflammation of the brain. He had been sick for about two weeks, but his condition was not regarded as dangerous until last night. The deceased was about fifty years of age, and came to this city from Charles county, Md., several years ago. He was a soldier in the Mexican wars and a member of the Association of Veterans of that war. He leaves a wife and five children, all of them grown. Officer Morris was one of the most efficient and trustworthy men on the force, and his death is much regretted.

PERSONAL.—Rev. John Hannon, a member of the Baltimore Conference, M. E. Church South, who for several years has been stationed at Trinity and Emmanuel churches, in Baltimore, has recently been transferred to the Louisiana Conference, and is to succeed Rev. Dr. Munsey as pastor of St. Charles' Church, in New Orleans. The many friends of Mr. Hannon regret his leaving the Baltimore Conference, but congratulate the ministry of New Orleans on the accession to their number of an earnest, eloquent and decidedly original minister of the gospel.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—Thomas Chauncey, a little son of Councilman William Chauncey, aged about twelve years, met with a serious accident this morning. He was swinging on the side of a car attached to a moving freight train of the Midland Road, near Smoot's tannery, on Wilkes street, when he lost his hold and fell to the ground, the wheels of the car passing over his left leg, and crushing it so badly that the limb was amputated just above the ankle, by Dr. Lewis, assisted by Drs. Powell and E. A. Stabler, and the boy is doing as well as could be expected.

M. E. CHURCH.—Services were continued in the M. E. Church last night, conducted by the Rev. John Evans, of the Virginia Conference. Owing to the inclemency of the weather the congregation was not so large as usual. Two penitents presented themselves at the altar. After a good season of prayer and singing the meeting was dismissed by the Rev. Mr. Hammond, a member of the Conference now in session. Services will be continued to-night.

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## BY TELEGRAPH.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE GAZETTE.]

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, March 15—1 p. m.

SENATE

The Senate met at 12 m., and after the reading of the Journal.

Mr. Armstrong reported in favor of furnishing the justices of the Supreme Court with 200 bound copies of the proceedings of the Electoral Commission, and the report was agreed to.

A resolution to pay the pages full wages for the month of March was adopted.

A resolution excluding wagons, carts, &c., from the Capitol grounds was laid over.

The resolution for the appointment of a subcommittee of the Committee on Privileges and Elections to investigate the charges against Senator Grover, of Oregon, with the usual proviso although urged by Hipple Mitchell, went over at the suggestion of Mr. Saulsbury.

Mr. Mitchell then presented other petitions in reference to the charges of bribery &c., against Mr. Grover, which were referred.

There being nothing further before the Senate, after waiting until 12:20,

On motion of Mr. Morton, the Senate went into executive session, and after a short time spent therein the doors were opened, and the Senate adjourned till to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

CAPITOL BRIEFS.

Secretary Schurz was on the floor of the Senate to-day, shaking hands and conversing with Senators. Schurz is looked upon as a great reformer, but he'll have a tough time reforming the Senate.

Office-seekers, driven away from the White House and Departments, flock in the Capitol, and Senators have very little time to do anything else but respond to "calls" on official business.

It is reported that Gen. Dabney H. Maury, who is in the city, is applying for the Postmastership of Richmond. This indicates a thorough reconciliation, as the Gen. was a "last ditcher."

The Senate was opened to-day without prayer. Carl Schurz's appearance on the floor may have scared off the Chaplain, for Mr. S. don't look unlike the pictures of his Satanic majesty, barring the horns, hoofs and tail.

Fred. Douglas, colored, has been nominated for U. S. Marshal of the District of Columbia, so that there will be equality at the White House, at least, as the duty of introducing, on State occasions, will devolve upon Fred. There is a report that that part of his duty will be omitted, but he ought to stand up for his rights. The office is worth \$6,000 per annum.

Mr. E. E. White, Collector of Internal Revenue, at Richmond, will probably hold on as against any republican, but may be succeeded by a democrat.

Miss Van Lew, of Richmond, will, it is now thought, hold on to the Postoffice in that city.

Col. Frank Potts, a prominent conservative of Petersburg, Va., has been appointed Post Master of that city. Mr. Young's name having been withdrawn. Col. P. was the Treasurer of the Petersburg and Roanoke Railroad Company.

NOMINATIONS.

The President sent the following nominations to the Senate to-day:

Frederick Douglas, to be U. S. Marshal for the District of Columbia.

George S. Boutwell, to be a Commissioner for the purpose of preparing a new edition of the Revised Statutes.

Hoyt H. Wheeler, to be U. S. District Judge for Vermont.

John C. Lee, U. S. District Attorney for northern district of Ohio.

George M. Daskin, U. S. Attorney for southern district of Alabama.

Philip H. Emerson, Associate Justice of Supreme Court of Territory of Utah.

Jesse H. Moore, Pension Agent, Springfield, Illinois.

Isaiah Lightner, of Maryland, Agent for Indians of Santa Fe Agency, Nebraska.

Also a number of receivers of public moneys out West.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The Senate in executive session to-day confirmed a number of appointments, mostly of registers of land offices, collectors of customs, Indian agents, &c.

George S. Boutwell, Commissioner to publish the new edition of the Revised Statutes; Alexander H. Barnes, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Dakota; and Reuben H. Stephenson, Surveyor of Customs at Cincinnati, Ohio, were all the prominent appointments confirmed.

The Markets.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Stocks active and a better feeling. Money 2. Gold 104½. Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat dull and unchanged. Corn quiet and firm.

BALTIMORE, March 15.—W. A. G's, old, 54; do. consolidated, 65. Cotton weak; middling 13½. Flour quiet, steady and unchanged. Wheat quiet and firm; No. 2 western, winter red, 1.50; No. 2 Chicago, spring, 1.40; Pennsylvania red, 1.58; Maryland red, prime, 1.57; do. amber, 1.40; do. white, 1.45; do. white, 1.58; do. yellow, 1.52; do. western mixed, 52; do. yellow, 52½; do. western mixed, 52; do. yellow, 52½; do. western mixed, 52; do. yellow, 52½.

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## SPECIAL NOTICES.

PORT GRAPE WINE FOR SICKNESS.—Decidedly one of the nicest and most creditable of any article of Wine we have ever seen is the Wino bearing the above name, made from the Portugal Port Grape cultivated by Mr. Alfred Speer, of Passaic, N. J. This Wino, under the hand of Mr. Speer, has been brought to a state of great perfection. It possesses the very highest medicinal virtues, and certainly as an article of beverage it is not, in our judgment, to be surpassed in color, taste or any of the qualities which constitute a pure, mild and agreeable Wino.—Boston Transcript.

TEETH, if not kept clean, soon decay. Young people, remember this. Use daily THURSTON'S IVORY PEARL TOOTH POWDER. It will preserve them through life. Sold by druggists. 25¢ per bottle. Feb 25-1y

HARD TIMES demand economy. Practice it. Renovate your soiled Gloves with JOHNSON'S INODOROUS KID GLOVE CLEANER. It will cleanse them thoroughly. Sold by druggists. 25¢ per bottle.

GREAT UPROAR ABOUT CLOTHING.—The largest stock of Overcoats and Suits bought at bankrupt sale to close out. Good Overcoats from \$2.50 upwards, including the very best of imported Chincheillas, Beavers, Marseys, &c.

Gents' Cassimere Suits, consisting of Coat, Pants and Vest, at \$4.50; all wool Suits at \$5.50 and upwards, including the finest imported materials; excellent Children's Suits, 3 years, \$1.25; 4 years \$1.75; 5 years \$2.25; 6 years \$2.75 and upwards. They must be sold quick at

dec 8 89 King street.

TO THE LADIES.—We have just received a fine assortment of Gantlemen's, Boys' and Youths' Fine Toilet Slippers, suitable for the holidays, which will be sold at prices to suit the times. [dec 6] WADDEY, 74 King st.

FISH, OYSTERS, &c.

W. H. SMITH & CO., Dealers in FRESH AND SALTED FISH, Corporation Fish Wharf, Alexandria, Virginia.

Would inform dealers and others that they are prepared to furnish them with all kinds of FRESH AND SALTED FISH. We would call the attention of buyers to the fact that our brand has stood No. 1 in market at all times, and we intend to sustain our reputation in that respect. All orders addressed to W. H. Smith & Co., Alexandria, Va., will receive prompt attention. mh 15-3m

J. G. GRIMES & CO., Wholesale and Retail Dealers in FRESH AND SALTED FISH, Stands—Fish wharf and Market Building. feb 23-3m

W. H. SMITH, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in OYSTERS, FISH, PRODUCE, &c., &c., No. 16 north Fairfax street. Has constantly on hand Oysters of the best quality from Norfolk and elsewhere received fresh by steamers every day, and is prepared to furnish the trade at as low prices as any house in the city. All orders entrusted to him shall receive prompt and careful attention. sep 7

HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS.

SHERWOOD HOUSE, Corner Fayette and Harrison sts., BALTIMORE, MD.

EUROPEAN PLAN. HENDRICKS & BARNUM, mh 9-2m] Proprietors.

FOR RENT—For rent the TWO THREE-STORY BRICK WAREHOUSES on Union street, Nos. 11 and 13; in excellent order for the storage of grain. Apply to J. C. EBERERT, of Burke & Herbert. mh 12-60w

WANTED.—A COOK and NURSE, settled and well recommended. None but such need apply. Apply to 77 High st., Georgetown, D. C. mh 8

RECEIVED.

30 pieces beautiful Prints at old prices. Bleached and Brown Cottons at old prices. Irish Linens. Linen Fronts. Table Diaper. Towels. Black Alpaca. White Counterpanes. Also a few Colored Counterpanes. Will be sold at one cent to close. mh 13 W. M. B. B. & S. N.

ISLE GREEN; ISLE GREEN!—I have just received a fresh supply of the above Green. It is acknowledged by practical painters to cover more surface and to be as brilliant and lasting as any other Green now in the market. Call and examine at mh 13 W. P. CREIGHTON'S, 85 King street.

NEW COOKING PRUNES. One hoghead of PRIME QUALITY just received by G. W. M. RAMSAY, dec 6 BUTTER! 10 tubs Ohio packed Butter for sale by THOMAS PERRY, Agent, 17 King street. mh 14

30 BBLs NO. 1 POTOMAC HERRINGS, late Spring's catch, for sale by THOS. PERRY, Agent, 17 King street. mh 14

A FULL LINE OF CHOICE NEW CROP TEAS and at very low prices for sale at the old stand, 226 King street, by R. W. AVERY. mh 12

EAGLE BRAND CONDENSED MILK for sale by F. J. DAVIDSON, feb 22

BOATERS—A full supply of these delicious Smoked Fish received and for sale by F. J. DAVIDSON, 147 King street. mh 12

BAKER'S BEST and GERMAN SWEET CHOCOLATES just received by J. C. & E. MILBURN. mh 12

3 HDS PRIME NEW ORLEANS SUGAR received this day and for sale by R. W. AVERY, 226 King st. mh 12

SPIED PIGS' FEET received and for sale by F. J. DAVIDSON, 147 King street. mh 12

PRIME SMOKED BOATERS and BONE-LESS CODFISH for sale by GEO. MCBURNNEY & SON. mh 10

SWEET CIDER and Champagne Cider just received by R. B. LAWSON & CO. mh 12

CHOICE GLAZES BUTTER and PRIME CHEESE for sale by J. C. & E. MILBURN. mh 12

A NOTHER SUPPLY OF SMOKED BOATERS just received by J. C. & E. MILBURN. mh 12

LADIN SECURITY OIL, 150 lbs; each fire test, for sale by J. C. & E. MILBURN. mh 12

## BOOKS, STATIONERY, &amp;c.

New Books

FRENCH'S, 95 KING STREET. A Pocket Dictionary of the French and English Languages, by Leon Contant; \$1.50. Storm River, by Mary Healey; \$1. Hard Rock and Guide to Florida, by Sidney Lanier, profusely illustrated; \$1. A Ride to Khiva; Travels in Central Asia, with Maps and Appendix, by Fred. Burnaby; \$2. Selections from the Writings of Lord Macaulay, edited by Geo. Otto Trevelyan, in 2 vols.; \$2.60. Life in South Africa, by Lady Barker; \$1. Weavers and Woff, by Miss Bradon; 25c. Love in Idleness, by Ellen W. Olney; 50c. Anne Warwick, by Georgeanna M. Craik; 60c. Receiving NEW BOOKS daily.

JOHN H. PARROTT, NO. 37 KING STREET, (Above Lee street), ALEXANDRIA, VA., DEALER IN

BLANK BOOKS Writing and Wrapping Paper, Envelopes, Inks, Mucilage, Slates and Slate Pencils, Lead Pencils, Rubber Bands and Erasers, Rubber, in short Stationery generally, and Sheet Music.

Also Paper Bags, Flour Sacks, Shipping Tags, &c., &c.

January 1, 1877. N. B.—"Hither far down town" some say; but still I am six miles this side of Washington city. "Nuf cad." jan 1

FURNISHING GOODS. TAYLOR & HUFTY, 933 Pennsylvania Avenue, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Have REDUCED the price of their celebrated DOUBLE-YOKE SHIRTS

AS FOLLOWS: Quality No. 1, \$24.00..... Formerly \$30.00 " " 2, 23.00..... " 28.00 " " 3, 22.00..... " 27.00 " " 4, 21.00..... " 26.00 Washington, my 8

HATS AND CAPS. 1877 1877

SPRING STYLES SILK HATS Just received at YOUNG'S, THE HATTER, mh 2 No. 80 King street.

Boots & Shoes.

We, the undersigned, respectfully solicit your examination of our New Spring and Summer Stock,

Before you spend a dollar elsewhere in our line, and earnestly believe, if you will remember this invitation and call and see us, it will be money in your pockets and good fits on your feet.

WADDEY'S, 74 KING STREET, ALEXANDRIA, VA.

LADIES' CLOAKING CLOTHES. Monday, 12th of March, 1877. Just received from Philadelphia a beautiful line of the above goods in choice shades. Also Black Cashmeres, Mohairs, Alpaca, Tamise, Australian Crapes, Bombazine Alpaca, English Crapes, Vails, with many other seasonable goods for early spring sales—all at popular prices.

H. B. BOONES, No. 109 King street, Alexandria, Va. mh 12

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